

**TO: The Faculty Senate**

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**DATE: May 6, 2016**

**SUBJECT: Provost's Report for May 13, 2016**

**I. FACULTY SEARCHES:**

We have currently filled nine positions and interviews continue.

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| Julie Nastasi | Assistant Professor | Occupational Therapy |
| John Ruddy    | Assistant Professor | Economics/Finance    |



**New Course**

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| T/RS 5XX and 4XX: Salvation Outside the Church?         | 3/2/16  |
| COUN 459: Spirituality in Counseling & Human Services   | 2/22/16 |
| COUN 559: Spirituality in Counseling                    | 2/22/16 |
| HIST 109X: The Frontier in American History             | 2/19/16 |
| HIST 222: The Civil War on Film                         | 2/19/16 |
| ACC 505: Intermediate Accounting I                      | 2/18/16 |
| ACC 506: Intermediate Accounting II                     | 2/18/16 |
| ACC 507: Intermediate Accounting III                    | 2/18/16 |
| S/CJ 228: Crime and Criminal in the Media               | 3/2/16  |
| COMM 108: Essential Writing Skills                      | 3/2/16  |
| ESPC 545: Single-Subject Design in Educational Settings | 2/26/16 |

**Course Change**

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| T/RS 327: Spiritual Classics  | 3/23/16 |
| PHED 161: Sport First Aid   | 2/19/16 |
| PHED 160: Coaching Principles   | 2/19/16 |
| PSYC 481: Field Experience in Applied Psychology                                    | 2/19/16 |
| ESPC 508: Intro Autism Spectrum Disorders & Applied Behavioral Analysis             | 2/19/16 |
| EE 241: Circuit Analysis  | 2/19/16 |
| PSYC 330L: Research Methods in the Behavioral Sciences Lab                          | 2/19/16 |
| PSYC 210: Statistics in the Behavioral Sciences                                     | 2/19/16 |
| NEUR 493/494: Undergraduate Research in Neuroscience                                | 3/16/16 |
| ESPC 508: Intro Autism Spectrum Disorders & Applied Behavioral Analysis             | 2/26/16 |
| ESPC 541: Evidence-Based Practices for Students with Emotional Behavioral Disorders | 2/26/16 |
| COMM 125X: Media, Stereotypes for the Future of the American Male                   | 4/28/16 |

**VII. THE COLLEGES:****College of Arts and Sciences**

The college celebrated the 400th Anniversary of William Shakespeare's death with a three-day festival featuring a plenary address by Carey Mazer, a noted Shakespeare scholar from the University of Pennsylvania.

Two undergraduates, Corinne Negvesky (Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology) and Victor Dec (Nursing) presented their research at the national annual convention of the American Medical Student Association. Competing against medical students, Corinne and Victor finished first in the Community Development and Service Category for their research related to our Telehealth Intervention Program for Seniors, a program developed in collaboration with the United Neighborhood Centers in Scranton and the United Way of Lackawanna and Wayne Counties.

Students from our Communication Department and Advertising Club finished fifth in the National Student Advertising Competition in New York City.

Several teams of our Engineering students competed in the Region 2 IEEE micromouse competition in Cleveland. Our awards included a second place in the

The McHugh Special Collections added ten volumes of Jesuit related rare books through the generosity of the Friends of Weinberg Library. Special Collections Librarian Michael Knies acquired the items at auction from Swann Auction Galleries in New York, after being alerted to the sale by Ed Leahy. Among the titles are an early edition o

knowledge), and a 1635 collection of the rules and regulations of the Jesuits. The books will be used for teaching, exhibits and research.

The McHugh Special Collections also just acquired the Edward H. Fearon Penmanship Collection, from descendants of the penman. This small collection compliments our Zaner-Bloser penmanship collection, acquired in 2010, which is the largest publicly available collection of later 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century American penmanship and calligraphy in the country.

A recent Heritage Room exhibit of fine book bindings and letterpress printing by local craftsman Don Rash featured a number of classroom visits by both University of Scranton students as well as Marywood University graduate and undergraduate classes where Don Rash discussed his career and techniques with the students. In March 2016, the Weinberg Memorial Library participated in an international Wikipedia edit-